

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 TOKYO 10211 100650Z

15

ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 ADP-00 AID-20 CIAE-00 COME-00 EB-11 FRB-02

INR-10 NSAE-00 RSC-01 TRSE-00 XMB-07 OPIC-12 CIEP-02

LAB-06 SIL-01 OMB-01 NSC-10 SS-15 STR-08 CEA-02 PA-03

PRS-01 USIA-15 ABF-01 RSR-01 /144 W

----- 051930

R 100631Z AUG 73

FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5946

INFO AMEMBASSY MANILA POUCH

AMEMBASSY SEOUL POUCH

UNCLAS TOKYO 10211

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ILAB, JA

SUBJECT: JAPANESE CIVIL SERVICE PAY RAISE

REF: TOKYO'S A-593 (SECTION D)

SUMMARY: BASED ON A OFFICIAL WAGE SURVEY IN PRIVATE INDUSTRY, A WAGE INCREASE AVERAGING \$66 PER MONTH HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR NATIONAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKERS IN JAPAN. OVER 3 MILLION EMPLOYEES WILL BE AFFECTED IF DIET APPROVES PROPOSAL AS PREDICTED.

1. GOJ NATIONAL PERSONNAL AUTHORITY(NPA), AFTER EXTENSIVE WAGE SURVEY IN PRIVATE INDUSTRY CONDUCTED THIS SPRING, HAS RECOMMND THAT, RETROACTIVE TO APRIL 1, AVERAGE WAGES OF NATIONAL PUBLIC SERVANTS (NPS) BE INCREASED 18.39 PERCENT (\$66) PER MONTH, PROPOSAL EXPECTED TO BE CONSIDERED BY DIET DURING AUGUST AND TO BE PASSED WITHOUT MODIFICATION. UNDER PROPOSAL NEW WAGE SCHEDULE FOR AVERAGE NPS 39.4 YEARS OLD WILL BE \$410 PER MOTH - EXCLUSIVE OF SUBSTANTIAL SUMMER AND YEAREND BONUSES. THIS REPRESENTS LARGEST RECOMMENDED PERCENTAGE INCREASE SINCE 1953. 1972 AVERAGE INCREASE WAS UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 TOKYO 10211 100650Z

10.68 PERCENT. PROPOSED INCREASE WILL DIRECTLY AFFECT 496,000

NPS AND INDIRECTLY DICTATE INCREASE RATE FOR ANOTHER 2.6
MILLION EMPLOYEES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

2. OPPOSITION PARTIES HAVE ALREADY CRITICIZED NPA
RECOMMENDATIONS AS TOO LOW SINCE LABOR'S SPRING WAGE OFFENSIVE
IN PRIVATE INDUSTRY BROUGHT WAGES UP 20.1 PERCENT. (HOWEVER
MONTHLY CASH EARNINGS IN PRIVATE INDUSTRY STARTED FROM A
SMALLER BASE; THERE THE 1973 AVERAGE INCREASE TOTALED \$57.20.)
SHOESMITH

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: LABOR, LABOR LAW, WAGE RATES, CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 10 AUG 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973TOKYO10211
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: TOKYO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19730843/aaaabfuz.tel
Line Count: 70
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: TOKYO'S A-593 (SECTION D)
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: boyleja
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 18 JAN 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <18-Jan-2002 by reddocgw>; APPROVED <05 MAR 2002 by boyleja>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: JAPANESE CIVIL SERVICE PAY RAISE
TAGS: ELAB, JA
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005